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Current Status of P-3 Main Landing Gear

HVOF MLG Piston installed 26 April 99 on VP-30 Aircraft BuNo 156522

850 Landings on HVOF coated MLG Piston (Aug 00)

HVOF Coated Piston removed from service Aug 2000 due to internal oil leak on ID-2 (NOT HVOF COATED)

HVOF Coated Strut repaired, sent back to VP-30 Installed on Aircraft 160284 STBD April 25, 2001

1,078 Total Landings on HVOF coated strut (8/23/01)





Current Status of P-3 Main Landing Gear

2,858 Total Landings on HVOF coated strut as of 30 Sept 03

Aircraft sent to Depot JAX for PDM on 13 August 2003

Aircraft returned to VP-30 on Feb. 6, 2004

3,329 Total Landings on HVOF coated strut as of 7 May 04

4,410 Total Landings on HVOF coated strut as of 1 March 05

6,378 Total Landings on HVOF coated strut as of 15 January 2006 when strut was removed & turned in to Supply IAW AFB 383

(Strut Assy S/N C30-1252 P/N 937958-103 R/H MLG)

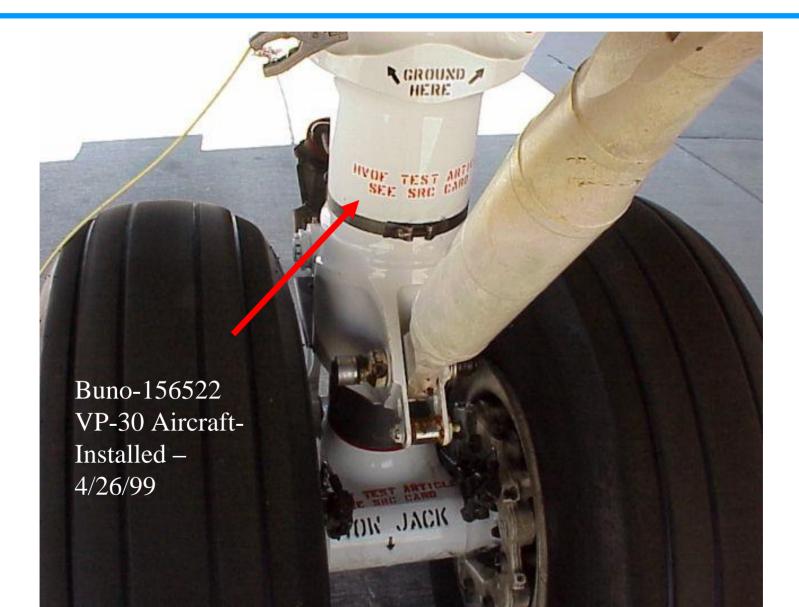


















A/C 160284 Nov 14, 2003 2,858 Landings







Second P-3 MLG Piston coated with HVOF WC/Co 83/17

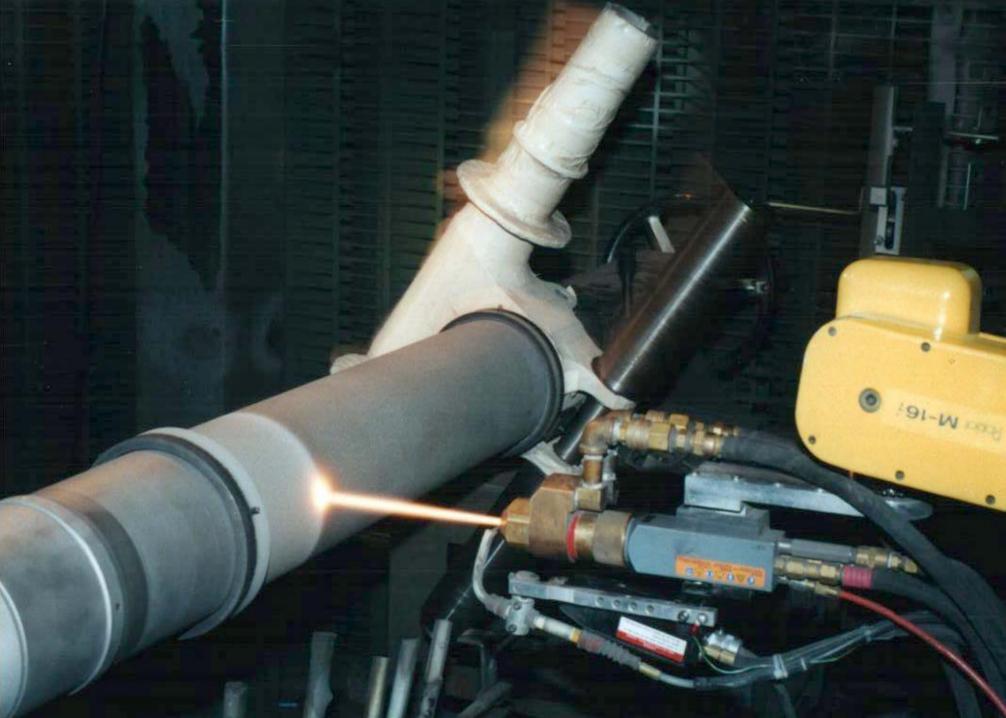
- Tested in \$70M P-3 aircraft SLAP/SLEP Full Scale Fatigue Test
- R/H MLG chrome plated
- L/H MLG HVOF coated
- HVOF coating, grinding & processing of gear funded by Naval Research Lab (NRL)
- Testing started 30 August 2001 (24 month test)
- 26,000 CTH planned; ECD December 02 if all goes well
- Landing gear shows no sign of coating problems





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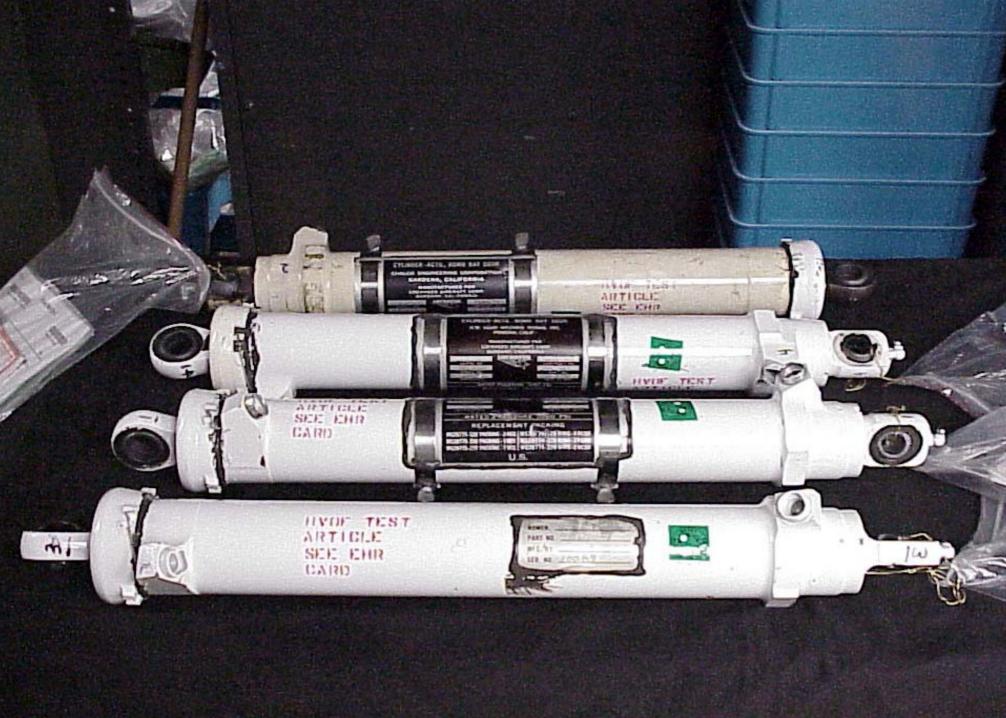
- 26,000 CTH initially planned
- Test extended to 38,000 CTH some of airframe not tested sufficiently
- 200-250K cycles on LG representing 47,000 Landings
- Test represents two fatigue lifetimes
- If this testing doesn't break the landing gear or HVOF coating, then nothing will! - NAVAIR Structures
- Landing gear shows no sign of failure or coating problems
- Test Completed with a "BANG!" on 4 March 2003
- Landing Gear removed April 2003 for inspection







- P-3 Bomb Bay Door Actuator Pistons coated, ground, & superfinished
- Four HVOF coated P-3 Bomb Bay Door Actuator Assemblies RFI and installed on VP-30 Aircraft BuNo 156510 July 2001
- 1,363 Flight Hours on HVOF coated actuators as of (20 JAN 06)
- 156510 currently at Greenville, SC
- Undergoing PDM & ESSI (started Sept. 05)
- Wing spar replacement on TLI bird (Time Life Indexed)
- Aircraft due back at VP-30 on 29 April 06



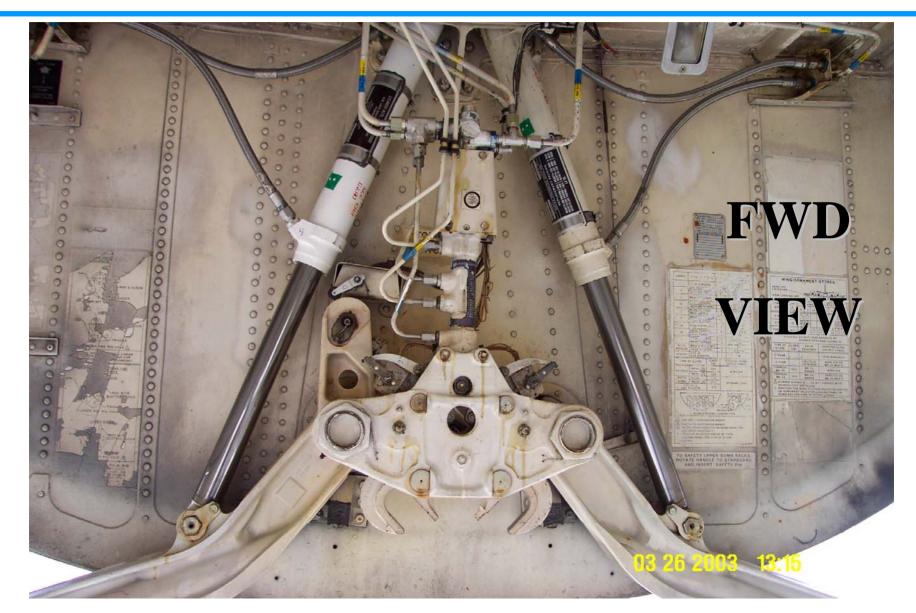






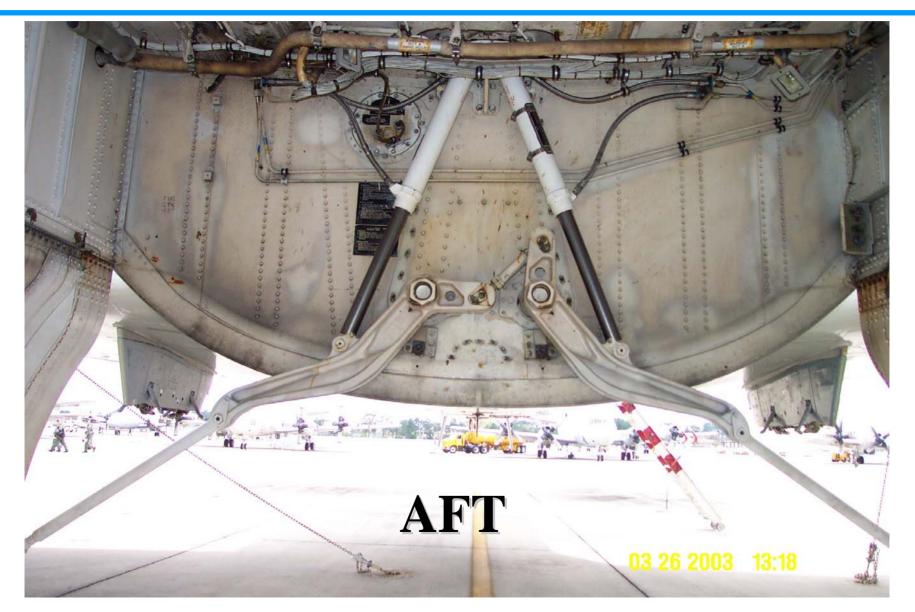






















F/A-18 Horizontal Stabilator Piston Rod

P/N 3003130 (Vendor Code 93835) - Nat'l Water Lift HVOF Coat short external end with WC/Co/Cr 86/10/4 HVOF Coat longer internal end with WC/Co 83/17

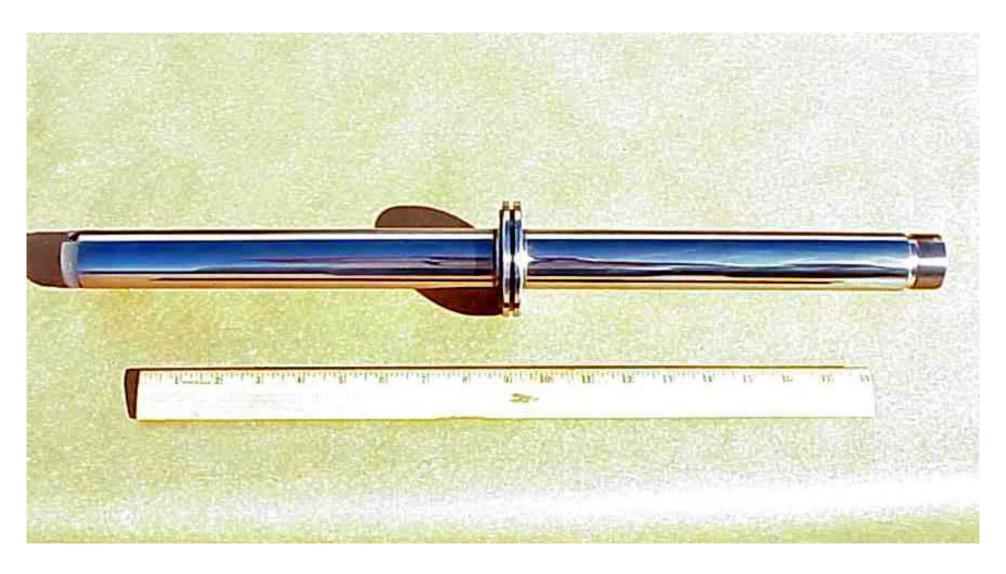
Grind to 8 - 16 µin Ra finish

Superfinish to ≤ 2 µin Ra finish

Shipped to PAX Lab for additional Hydraulic Actuator seal compatibility testing on 15 Nov 02

















F/A-18 Trailing Edge Flap (TEF) Actuator Piston Rod P/N 303247-3 (Vendor Code 82106) - Parker Hannifin HVOF Coat OD of Piston Rod with WC/Co/Cr 86/10/4 Grind to 8 - 16 μin Ra finish

Shipped to NADEP NORIS for additional Hydraulic Actuator seal compatibility testing on 20 Mar 03

Superfinish to ≤ 2 µin Ra finish

Second F/A-18 TEF Actuator Piston Rod shipped to NADEP NORIS 16 Sept 03 for build-up and then ship to PAX for additional Hydraulic Actuator seal compatibility testing

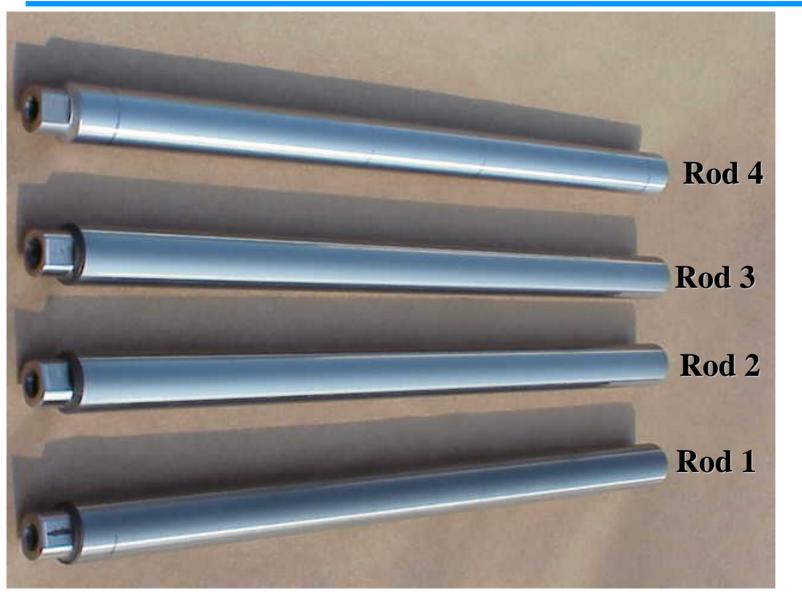












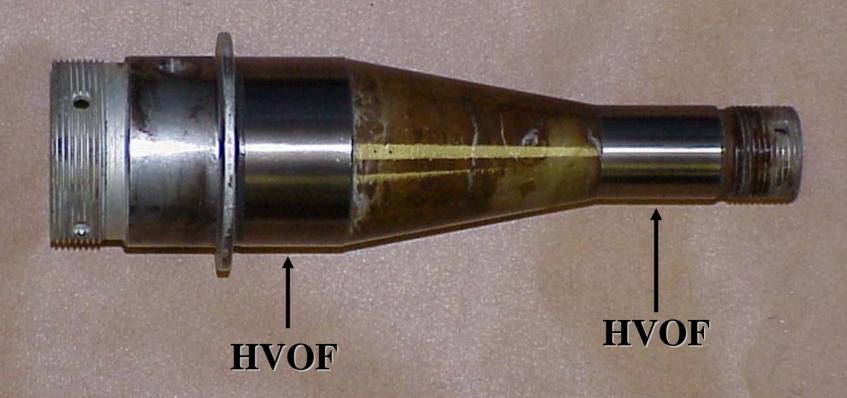
HCAT
Hydraulic
Actuator
JTP
Part II
Phase 1
1" dia.
Test rod

Superfinished at NADEP JAX





E-6A MLG Lock Hook Shaft P/N 9-45196





HVOF as a Hard Chrome Replacement E-6A Main Landing Gear



Two HVOF coated E-6A MLG Uplock Hook Shafts installed 10 March 99 on A/C 164388

6,019.5 Flight Hours (Nov 2005)

4,381 Landings (Nov 2005)

HVOF Shafts to be removed during LG O/H 9-29-2008

One HVOF coated E-6A MLG Uplock Hook Shaft installed on Aircraft 162784 in Feb. 2000

6,235 Flight Hours (Nov 2005)

4,377 Landings (Nov 2005)

HVOF Shaft to be removed during LG O/H 12-3-2007







HVOF coated R/H EA-6B MLG Strut Assy.

P/N 1707B00-02 S/N BFG 5008





Current Status of HVOF Coated

EA-6B Main Landing Gear Strut Assy.

EA-6B MLG alloy is 4330 V-mod 220-240 KSI UTS 180-185 KSI Yield Strength

MLG Piston coated Oct. 99

Depot processing completed Dec. 99

Flight clearance requested Jan 2000

NAVAIR Structures (AIR-4.3.3.1) gives approval to move ahead with flight clearance request for HVOF coated Strut in Mtg. At PAX River on 19 August 2003





Flight Clearance Message issued DTG 102001Z DEC 03

HVOF coated Strut Assy re-inducted into Depot Landing Gear Shop for repeat of final pressure check and leak test prior to being issued as RFI to aircraft line (Feb 2004)

Aircraft 163395 identified

HVOF coated MLG Strut Assy installed on EA-6B Aircraft 163395 June 04

FIRST FLIGHT w/ HVOF strut 13 July 2004

Aircraft delivered to Whidbey Is. 20 July 2004







HVOF coated EA-6B MLG Strut Assy.

P/N 1707B00-02 S/N BFG 5008

Aircraft

163395

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Aircraft delivered to Whidbey Is. 20 July 2004

1st Carrier Landing 9-14-04 aboard USS Carl Vinson
Returned to NAS Whidbey Is. 10-3-2004

30 Cats & 30 Traps during 3 week work-ups
Deployed again to USS Carl Vinson 1-20-2005

Successfully completed World Cruise 8-8-2005

Latest info 330 Total Landings on HVOF coated Strut 162 Cat Shots; 164 Traps (19 December 2005)











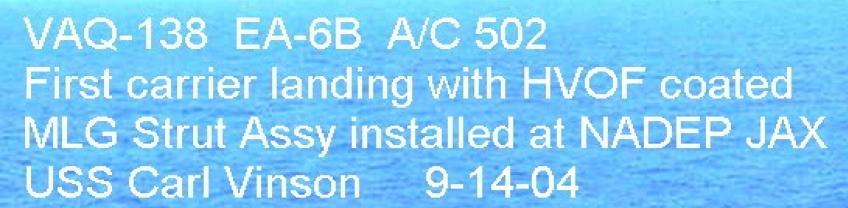
The HVOF coated MLG Strut Assy has now undergone the severest operational in-service testing during this world cruise which included combat operations in an active zone.

This strut continues to gather valuable dem/val data for this technology insertion effort.

Upon successful completion of this world cruise, the HVOF coated MLG Strut Assy has now accumulated a TOTAL of 330 Landings, including 164 Traps (arrested landings) and 162 Cat Shots (catapult launches) as of 19 Dec 2005.

Aircraft deployed to Alaska 5 – 21 Oct 2005

Aircraft transferred to VAQ-209 on 19 Dec 05













NAVAIR Approvals

Authorization to implement HVOF on P-3 NLG & MLG Pistons and Bomb Bay Door Actuators on May 28, 2003

Successfully produced NAVAIR Materials Engineering HVOF Coating Implementation Guidance Document on March 3, 2005 mtg. @ Cherry Point





AMS 2448 - HVOF Coating Application SpecificationPublished by SAE in October 2004

AMS 2449 – HVOF Grinding Specification Published by SAE in August 2004

AMS 7881 — Tungsten Carbide-Cobalt Powder Specification published by SAE in April 2003

AMS 7882 — Tungsten Carbide-Cobalt Chrome Powder Specification published by SAE in April 2003





AMS 7881 & AMS 7882 — Powder Specifications

Revision A is currently being drafted to include changes that will accommodate Praxair/Tafa, Stellite, & other powders

Revision A to each powder spec will be presented to AMEC for balloting by Don Parker next week

AMEC Mtg. 189 @ Asilomar, Pacific Grove, CA

1 – 3 February 2006

AMEC will then forward Revision A specs to Committee B for approval

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